

**SECRET**

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MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/TR

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

1. Mr. Peter Kim of Ampex Corporation was in Washington from California on Tuesday and dropped in to discuss one of their new developments. He told us about a device whose core unit stores 15 minute taped programs which can be reproduced on cassettes at a large number of remote stations in 22 seconds. The remote station activates the core unit by means of a dial. The core unit holds its 15 minute tapes in increments of 32 with the possibility of adding as many units as desired. We are interested in this development because it would provide a means of simplifying our tape reproduction and if installed would greatly reduce our need to keep large numbers of shelf copies. Another possibility is accessibility of tapes from a Headquarters station. The device also has possibilities for remote (Hqs., Rosslyn) dial access to other OTR taped programs, such as briefing programs or other material which can be "canned". Mr. Kim will ask Ampex R & D to give us an estimate of the cost of a 96 program unit.

2. The seasonal upsurge of EOD proficiency testing has begun. Requests for 41 tests were received the week of 6 July, and 39 the week of 13 July. An exceptionally high percentage of these employees have been disclaiming oral proficiency when they report for their tests.

3. The Testing Branch held a meeting on Friday, 17 July of experienced examiners in French, Spanish, Russian, German and the Southeast Asian languages, to discuss testing and grading methods and criteria for the "short form" reading test. From the discussions, instructions for new or less-experienced examiners will be drawn up and distributed. This is part of our over-all plan to re-examine our proficiency test program and inaugurate improvements.

#### 4. Language School Statistics

Students and Classes as of 17 July 1970:

<u>Students</u>	<u>Classes</u>
Full-time - 57	Full-time - 27
Part-time - 64 (38 Hqs.)	Part-time - 28 (9 Hqs.)

Language laboratory hours for the week of 6 - 10 July 1970:

Headquarters - 50

Two language proficiency tests were given during the week of 6 - 10 July 1970.

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